

## Village of Irvington

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## Dear Resident:

Enclosed is the **Tree Removal Permit Application** you requested. Please read carefully the **Instructions For Filing** on the back of this letter. Be sure to complete the form with all required information and to provide the necessary documentation. Completed forms and filing fees must be submitted to the Village Clerk in the Village Hall during normal business hours. Missing or incorrect information and documentation will result in automatic refusal or delay, and may require you to resubmit the application.

The Village of Irvington takes great pride in the numbers, sizes, and species of mature trees that contribute to the visual character and historic nature of the community on both its village streets and residential properties. These trees enhance property values and make a fundamental contribution to the health, safety and general welfare of Irvington residents. They provide natural barriers to noise, absorb air pollution, reduce flooding and soil erosion, protect surface water quality, and provide shade and windbreaks, along with natural habitats for wildlife.

As part of protecting this heritage and our environment, the Village of Irvington regulates the indiscriminate cutting of trees through Chapter 202, Tree Preservation, of the Village Code and through its Tree Removal Permit Application process. A copy of Chapter 202, Tree Preservation, is available on request through the Office of the Village Clerk or on the Village website. <a href="http://www.irvingtonny.gov/index.aspx?NID=124">http://www.irvingtonny.gov/index.aspx?NID=124</a>

Permits are required for the removal of any protected tree – a tree with diameter of 8" or greater (25" circumference) when measured at four feet from grade on uphill side. For multi-trunked trees such as Birch or Japanese Maple, the measurement is the sum of all trunk diameters at the point of juncture (or at ground level). Certain species of trees, locations or site topography (e.g.: wetlands, water course, steep slopes) may also have specific protection. Please refer to the Village code for most current requirements.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Irvington Tree Preservation Commission